Student Wellbeing Policy

RATIONALE
To have an organized, clearly defined and documented whole school approach to student wellbeing which will contribute to a safe, supportive and caring learning environment in line with the school vision and pedagogical framework.

GUIDELINES
Develop a school environment where children can feel successful, happy and able to reach their potential, free of disruption to theirs or others rights and capacity to learn;

IMPLEMENTATION
• In line with the Minister’s Memo of 21 January 2000 we will ensure that anti-bullying and anti-harassment strategies are fully implemented. The school will report on the success of these strategies in its annual reporting cycle.
• Implementation of student, staff and parent codes of conduct which reflect the school’s pedagogical framework and school vision
• Implement effective referral processes for children deemed ‘at risk’ and in need of intervention;
• Implement the Framework for Student Support Services in Victorian Government Schools through:
  - encouraging a climate of cooperation and mutual respect through its leadership, teaching practices and modelling of desired behaviours;
  - implementing comprehensive social skills-based program reflective of the school vision and pedagogical framework
  - implementing a comprehensive transition program involving children moving from;
    - Kindergarten to Primary School
    - Primary to Secondary School; and for children deemed at risk
    - Year to year and class teacher to class teacher
• Ensuring the consistent and fair application of school rules;
• Provide professional development for staff that links directly to programs and protocols being undertaken in the school.
• To ensure continuity of care of its students, Bellbridge Primary School will continue to work collaboratively with government and community agencies.

EVALUATION/REVIEW
This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three year cycle of review.

Ratified by Bellbridge Primary School Council – November 2013

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